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SUBJ: 29TH UNGA--THIRD COMMITTEE, DRAFT RESOLUTION ON
MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION OF MIGRANT WORKERS

REF: STATE 223620

1. AT MORNING SESSION OCT 10 MEXICAN REP PROPOSED FOLLOWING
REWORKING OF OP PARA 3(A) OF SUBJECT RES DESCRIBING IT AS
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT CONCERNS EXPRESSED TO ORIGINAL DRAFT.

"INVITES ALL STATES, INASMUCH AS THE MORE DETAILED
CRITERIA NECESSARY FOR FORMULATING EXPLICIT RECOMMENDATIONS
DO NOT YET EXIST,

"A. TO EXTEND TO MIGRANT WORKERS WHO ENTER LEGALLY TREATMENT
EQUAL TO THAT PROVIDED FOR ITS NATIONALS, WITH RESPECT
TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE NORMS OF THEIR LABOR LEGISLATION
AS APPLICABLE;

"B. NO CHANGE
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"C. WHILE THOSE CONVENTIONS OR AGREEMENTS ARE BEING PREPARED TO ADOPT THE PERTINENT MEASURES SO THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANT WORKERS WHO ENTER THEIR TERRITORIES SURREPTIOUSLY MAY BE FULLY RESPECTED."

2. MISOFF APPROACHED MEXICANS TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE REWORDING OF 3(A) ALONG LINES DISCUSSED IN DEPT (AND SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMED REFTEL) AND TO URGE 3(B) BE WITHDRAWN. HE EXPLAINED WE WOULD BE FORCED TO ABSTAIN OTHERWISE. WAS INFORMED THAT ALTHOUGH THERE NO SPECIFIC OBJECTION TO OUR PROPOSED REWORDING, MEXICO WOULD STAY WITH WORDING AS ABOVE. MEXICAN REP ALSO STATED THEY HAD ANTICIPATED OUR OBJECTION TO 3(B) BUT WOULD NOT CHANGE OR WITHDRAW IT.

3. ITEM TO COME UP FOR DISCUSSION THIS AFTERNOON. THERE SEEMS TO BE GENERAL SUPPORT FOR ITALIAN SUGGESTION (NOT FORMAL PROPOSAL) THAT RES BE CONSIDERED UNDER AGENDA ITEM 12 (REVIEW OF ECOSOC) BUT MEXICANS NOT AGREEING AND NO ONE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD WITH FORMAL PROPOSAL. EVEN AS REWORDED, PARAS 3(A) AND (C) POSING SOME PROBLEMS FOR EUROPEANS AND MOST SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS FROM HOME GOVTS. UNDERSTAND ALGERIA INCENSED THAT MEXICO TOOK INITIATIVE ON THIS AND WITHOUT CONSULTATIONS, BUT BELIEVE THEY MUST GO ALONG ANYWAY. ALSO INFORMED THAT UAR WILL PROBABLY OPPOSE RES AS PRESENTLY CAST.
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